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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 19, 2003, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the claims of Group I (i.e., claims 1-50 and 53) for examination.

Applicants therefore withdraw from consideration, without prejudice to their patentability, claims 51 and 52 (Group II).

Applicants expressly reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to the withdrawn claims at a later date.

It is not believed that any fee is required by the timely submission of this Response to Restriction. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

Respectfully submitted,

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